

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Drawings

The drawings were objected to under 37 CFR 1.83(a) for failing to show every claimed feature of the invention, particularly the ventilation openings and the diffusion element recited in claims 6, 13 and 20-23.

Claims 6, 13, 20, 22 and 23 have been canceled, and claim 21 has been amended herein to delete the subject features. Thus, this objection is now moot.

Specification

As requested by the Examiner, the disclosure was carefully reviewed but no grammatical, idiomatic and spelling errors were found.

Claim objection

Suitable corrections have been made to the claims to address all the deficiencies pointed out by the Examiner.

Claim rejections

The only reference applied against the claims was Hulse et al. (USP 6,874,924). The effective date of Hulse as prior art is March 14, 2002. However, the present invention claims a priority date of January 7, 2002 based on a German priority application no. 100 00 304.1. A sworn English translation of the priority application is submitted herewith in order to perfect the claim for priority.

Accordingly, Hulse is not applicable as prior art against the present application, and thus all the claims are allowable.

Conclusion

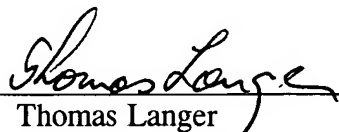
Based on all of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is now in proper condition for allowance. Prompt and favorable action to this effect and early passing of this application to issue are respectfully solicited.

Should the Examiner have any comments, questions, suggestions, or objections he is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned in order to facilitate reaching a resolution of such matters.

It is believed that no additional fees or charges are required at this time in connection with the present application. However, if any fees or charges are required at this time, they may be charged to our Patent and Trademark Office Deposit Account No. 03-2412.

Respectfully submitted,

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